

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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 Applicant(s): Gianluca GAZZA
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 AND DEVICES OBTAINED THEREFROM
 TC/A.U.: Not yet assigned
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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Sir:

This is in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated
November 22, 2006, in the above-identified application.

1. **Declaration and Power of Attorney:**

☒ **Enclosed.** This application was filed without an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

2. **Assignment:**

☒ An assignment of the invention to _____ and a PTO Form-1595, Recordation Form Cover Sheet are filed concurrently under separate cover.

3. ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

| <u>Total Months Requested</u> | <u>Fee for Extension</u> | <u>Fee for Small Entity</u> |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> one month | \$ 120.00 | \$ 60.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> two months | \$ 450.00 | \$ 225.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> three months | \$ 1020.00 | \$ 510.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> four months | \$ 1590.00 | \$ 795.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> five months | \$ 2160.00 | \$ 1080.00 |

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$ 0.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefore.

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4. **Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16):**

| CLAIMS FOR FEE CALCULATION | | | | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| | Number Filed | Number Extra | at Rate of | Fees |
| Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c)) | # - 20 = | 0 | \$ 50/25 ea = | 0.00 |
| Independent (Claims 37 C.F.R. §1.16(b)) | # - 3 = | 0 | \$ 200/100 ea = | 0.00 |
| Basic Filing Fee \$300/150 | | | | Paid 5/2/2006 |
| Utility Search Fee \$500/250 | | | | Paid 5/2/2006 |
| Examination Fee \$200/100 | | | | Paid 5/2/2006 |
| Utility Application Size Fee—for each additional 50 sheets that exceeds 100 sheets \$250/125 | | | | 0.00 |
| Declaration Surcharge under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) | | | | 130.00 |
| Multiple Claim Fee \$360 | | | | 0.00 |
| Month Extension of Time | | | | 0.00 |
| TOTAL = | | | | 130.00 |
| Minus ½ for Small Entity | | | | 65.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | | | | 65.00 |

5. **Fee Payment:**

☒ A check in the amount of **\$ 65.00** is enclosed for fees noted above.

☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1349 to cover the Missing Requirement fee of **\$0.00**. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed for fee processing.

6. ☒ **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1349. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3)

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7. Other:

- ☒ **Part 2 – Notification of Missing Requirements**
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ PTO-1449, __ documents as listed
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Claim for Priority
- ☐ Certified copy of Priority Document
- ☐ Sequence Listing

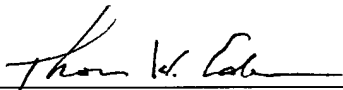
If there are any questions regarding the above-captioned patent application, please contact applicant's representative at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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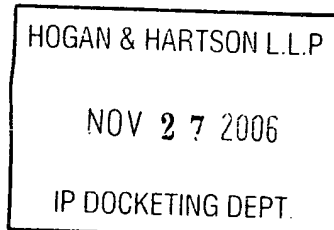


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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/02/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/02/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/02/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/02/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/02/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/02/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

- \$65 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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